2020

A YEAR OF AFFECTION FOR PEOPLE

2020, a Year of Affection for People

Juche 109 (2020)



Juche 109 (2020) was a year of unprecedented ordeals and difficulties for the Korean people.

When they launched an offensive for making a frontal breakthrough aimed at neutralizing the sanctions and pressure by the hostile forces and opening a new avenue for socialist construction, they were faced with tough challenges and ordeals caused by the worldwide health crisis from the beginning of the year and consecutive typhoons and floods.

At the outset of the global pandemic the Workers' Party of Korea ensured that preemptive and strict prevention measures were taken and an intensive campaign was launched to reliably defend the security of the country and the people.

Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un convened enlarged meetings of the Political Bureau of the Party Central Committee and other important meetings to adopt emergency epidemic prevention measures of giving top and absolute priority to the safety of the people, and continued his inspection tours to the areas afflicted by severe natural disasters to provide the victims with better living conditions by exerting all Party and state efforts into the rehabilitation campaign.

Thanks to the WPK's devoted efforts for the good of the people, the Korean people made miraculous achievements in the epidemic prevention and rehabilitation campaigns and thus laid foundations for vigorously advancing the socialist economic construction.

The grand October festival held in celebration of the 75th anniversary of the WPK fully demonstrated the might of the armed forces of the DPRK which firmly safeguards the national sovereignty and prestige, and prosperity and wellbeing of all the generations to come, and powerful single-hearted unity of the Korean people closely rallied behind the Party, and also manifested that no force in the world can check the advance of socialist Korea.

Juche 109 (2020) was thus recorded in the history of the DPRK as a year of great affection the WPK bestowed on the people during the struggle for overcoming all sorts of hardships and trials, including the world health crisis and natural calamities.



From the onset of the year, amid growing worldwide unrest and worry caused by disastrous global pandemic, Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un convened several meetings of the Party Central Committee to take state measures more thoroughly to defend the people's lives and safety, and saw to it that all sectors and units established a strict epidemic prevention system and order without any slackness so as to ensure the security of the country and the safety of the people.

The Supreme Leader who believes in people as in heaven and loves them dearly regarded the sufferings of the victims of the natural disasters as his own. He visited the flood- and typhoon-hit areas in North and South Hwanghae, and South Hamgyong provinces to learn about their concrete situations, took prompt measures to stabilize the living of the victims and rehabilitate the damaged areas and called upon the Party members of the capital city to turn out in the rehabilitation campaign. As a result, the damaged areas were turned into the places of happiness within a short period.



Kim Jong Un presiding over the enlarged meeting of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea in February 2020



On January 24, 2020, the DPRK took preemptive measures to block the borders and switch the hygienic and epidemic prevention system over to the state emergency epidemic prevention system in order to prepare against the global pandemic.

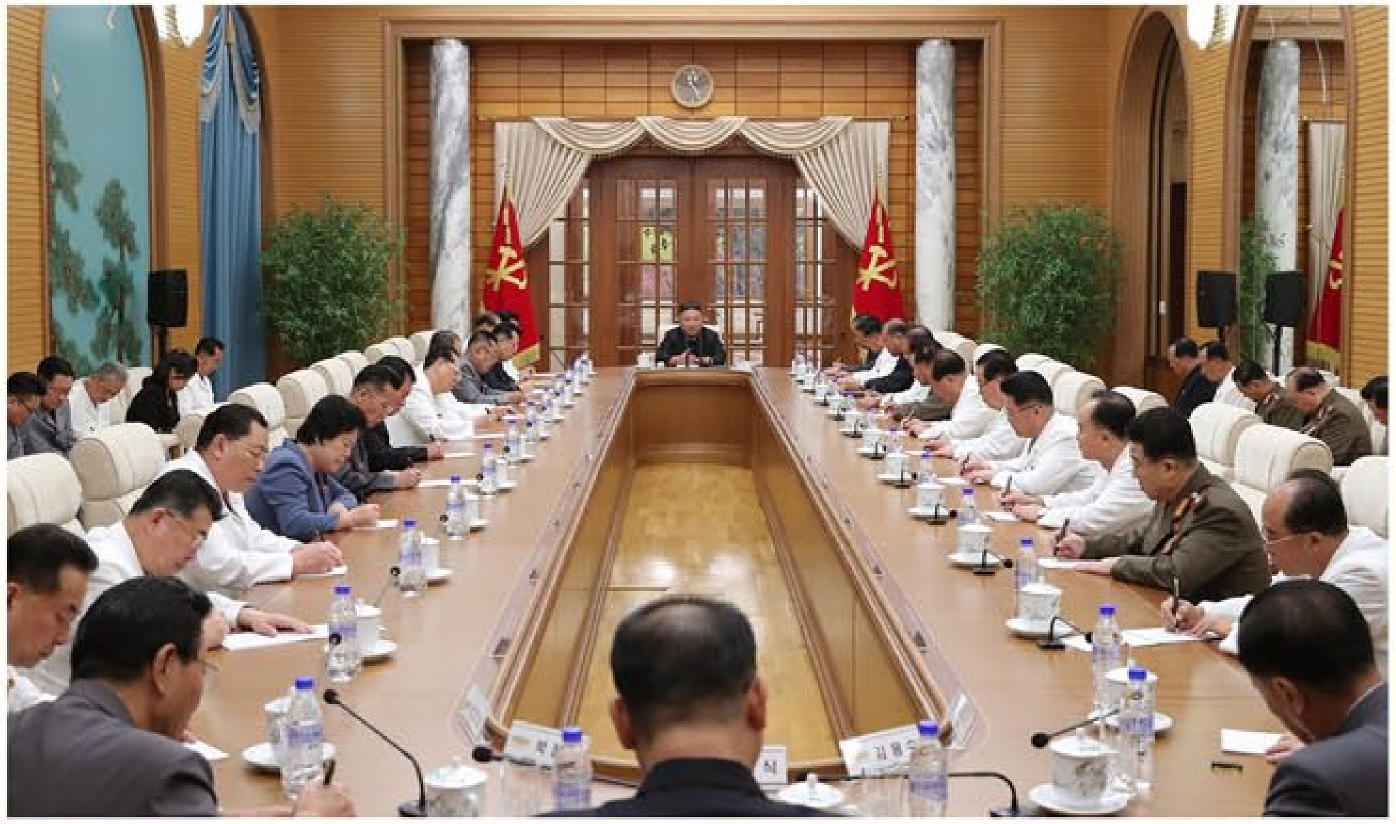
The Party Central Committee convened a series of Political Bureau and Executive Policy Council meetings from the outset of the year to discuss the work of thoroughly blocking the inroad of the malignant infectious disease as the most important agenda items and adopt relevant decisions. And strong measures were taken for its implementation.



Kim Jong Un presiding over the emergency enlarged meeting of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the WPK in July 2020



Kim Jong Un presiding over the fourth meeting of the Executive Policy Council of the Seventh Central Committee of the WPK in August 2020



Kim Jong Un at the 18th meeting of the Political Bureau of the Seventh Central Committee of the WPK in September 2020



Kim Jong Un at the 20th enlarged meeting of the Political Bureau of the Seventh Central Committee of the WPK in November 2020

Meetings of the Party Central Committee were held in 2020 to firmly defend the people's safety and the national security.

☆ **Enlarged meeting of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the WPK on February 27, 2020**

It discussed the problems arising in strictly taking the nationwide top-class measures for epidemic prevention against the world-sweeping pandemic and thoroughly implementing them, and detailed measures to block the inroad and spread of the pandemic in a scientific and preemptive way.

☆ **Meeting of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the WPK on April 11, 2020**

It adopted a joint resolution of the Central Committee of the WPK, the State Affairs Commission of the DPRK and the DPRK Cabinet "On more thoroughly taking state measures to protect our people's lives and safety from the worldwide epidemic."

☆ **The 14th enlarged meeting of the Political Bureau of the Seventh Central Committee of the WPK on July 2, 2020**

It reviewed a six months' work to prevent the malignant infectious disease and discussed the matter of further consolidating the present epidemic prevention situation by intensifying the national emergency epidemic prevention work.

☆ **Emergency enlarged meeting of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the WPK on July 25, 2020**

It adopted a decision on switching from the state emergency epidemic prevention system to the maximum emergency system.

☆ **The fourth meeting of the Executive Policy Council of the Seventh Central Committee of the WPK on August 5, 2020**

It studied a report on the epidemic prevention work and situation in the city of Kaesong that was completely sealed off under the top-grade national emergency system, discussed and decided on the Party Central Committee's special provision of food and financial aid for stabilizing the living of the citizens.

☆ **The 16th meeting of the Political Bureau of the Seventh Central Committee of the WPK on August 13, 2020**

It discussed and decided on the issues of more strictly maintaining the state emergency epidemic prevention system and perfecting the regular epidemic prevention command system to cope with the world health crisis and of lifting the lock-down of frontline areas including Kaesong.

☆ **The 17th enlarged meeting of the Political Bureau of the Seventh Central Committee of the WPK on August 25, 2020**

It had an in-depth discussion of the issues of examining the national emergency epidemic prevention posture to cope with the world health crisis and further improving and intensifying the work.

☆ **The 18th meeting of the Political Bureau of the Seventh Central Committee of the WPK on September 29, 2020**

It pointed out some faults revealed in the efforts to prevent the threat of the malignant virus spread and had an in-depth study and discussion of the issues of further intensifying the state emergency epidemic prevention.

☆ **The 20th enlarged meeting of the Political Bureau of the Seventh Central Committee of the WPK on November 15, 2020**

It discussed in depth the issue of further tightening the state emergency epidemic prevention system in the face of the ever-worsening global health emergency.




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August-September

Typhoons and heavy rainfalls inflicted severe damages on many parts of the country









Typhoons and heavy rainfalls hit overall areas in North and South Hwanghae provinces, Kaesong, and coastal regions in North and South Hamgyong provinces during August and September, submerging numerous dwelling and public buildings and farmland, and destroying roads, bridges, railways and dams.





Kim Jong Un visiting the flood-hit Taechong-ri area of Unpha County in North Hwanghae Province
to acquaint himself with the situation in August 2020



Kim Jong Un visiting the flood-hit Taechong-ri area of Unpha County in North Hwanghae Province in August 2020





Kim Jong Un examining the growth of crops in the inundated paddy field in the Taechong-ri area of Unpha County in North Hwanghae Province in September 2020







Kim Jong Un grasping the situation in the typhoon-stricken area of South Hwanghae Province in August 2020



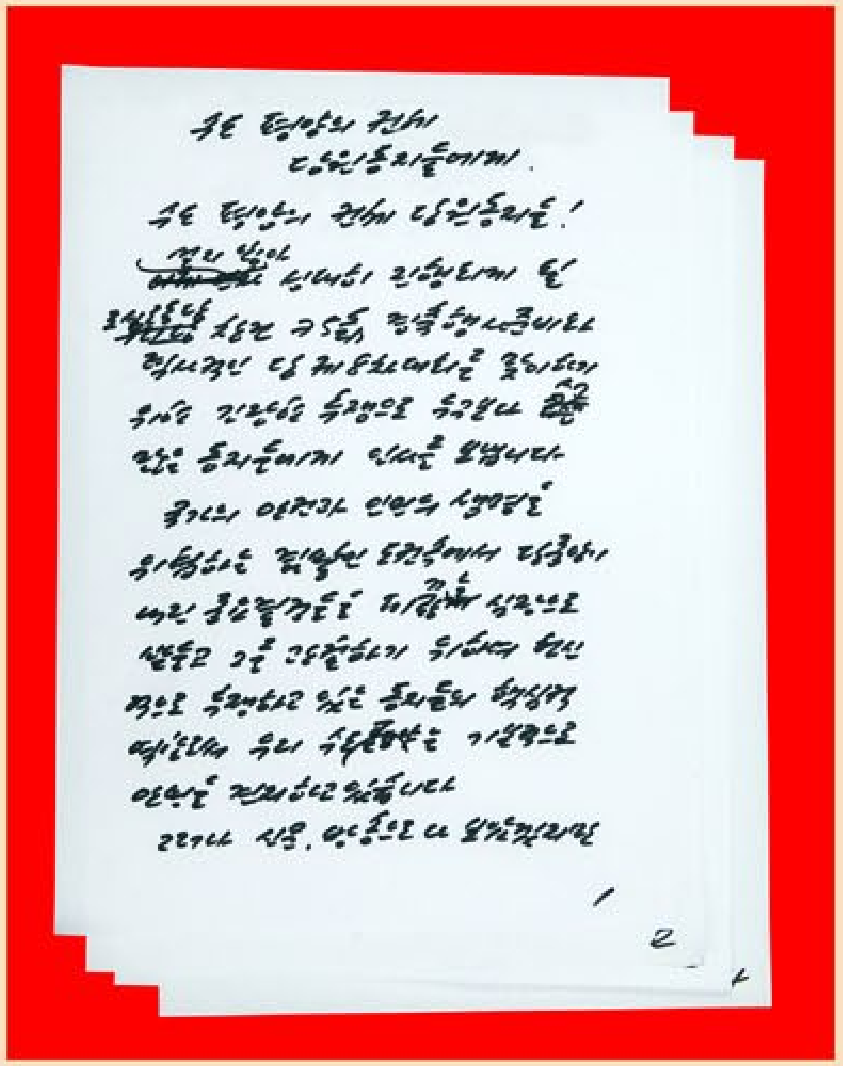
Kim Jong Un convening an enlarged meeting of the Executive Policy Council of the Central Committee of the WPK on the spot for organizing the campaign to repair damage from Typhoon No. 9 in North and South Hamgyong provinces in September 2020





Kim Jong Un visiting the area damaged by typhoon in South Hamgyong Province in September 2020




수도 평양의 전체
당원동지들에게.

수도 평양의 전체 당원동지들!

Kim Jong Un's open letter to all the Party members in the capital city of Pyongyang in September 2020

Kim Jong Un writing on the typhoon-hit spot in South Hamgyong Province an open letter calling on all the Party members in the capital city of Pyongyang to turn out in the rehabilitation campaign



A rally of the Party members of Pyongyang who turned out in the rehabilitation campaign was held at the plaza of the Kumsusan Palace of the Sun.


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수도의 당원들이여, 피해복구전투에서 별동대의 위력을 남김없이 떨치자!




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Party members from the capital city leaving for the reconstruction sites











Party members of Pyongyang and KPA service personnel engaged in the rehabilitation campaign in the typhoon-stricken areas



Kim Jong Un visiting the reconstruction site in the disaster-stricken Taechong-ri area of Unpha County in North Hwanghae Province in September 2020



Kim Jong Un visiting the reconstruction site in the disaster-stricken Taechong-ri area of Unpha County in North Hwanghae Province in September 2020





Kim Jong Un inspecting the rehabilitation site in Kimhwa County in October 2020







Kim Jong Un visiting the rehabilitation site in the Komdok area, South Hamgyong Province, in October 2020



Kim Jong Un visiting the rehabilitation site in the Komdok area, South Hamgyong Province, in October 2020





Kim Jong Un looking round the rehabilitation site in South Hamgyong Province in October 2020



Kim Jong Un looking round Kangbuk-ri of Kumchon County in North Hwanghae Province, which was newly built after being damaged by a heavy rainfall and strong wind, in September 2020







Kim Jong Un looking round Kangbuk-ri of Kumchon County in North Hwanghae Province, which was newly built after being damaged by a heavy rainfall and strong wind, in September 2020



Dwelling houses newly built in the flood-hit Taechong-ri area of Unpha County in North Hwanghae Province



Residents in Kangbuk-ri, Kumchon County, North Hwanghae Province, moving to new houses





Residents in the afflicted areas moving to new houses










Houses newly built in the afflicted areas





Kim Jong Un continued his inspection tours to various units, including the construction sites of the Sunchon Phosphate Fertilizer Factory, Pyongyang General Hospital and Kwangchon Chicken Farm, and led the efforts to give fuller play to the capacity for self-development in socialist construction. Under his leadership, the Korean people built a phosphate fertilizer factory conducive to the agricultural production of the country and accomplished a lot of projects, including the Ansok Reclaimed Tideland, Myohyangsan Medical Appliances Factory, Ichon Army-People Power Station, and North Phyongan Provincial Tree Nursery, overcoming unprecedented hardship of this year.



Kim Jong Un inspecting the Sunchon Phosphate Fertilizer Factory under construction in January 2020





Kim Jong Un at the inaugural ceremony of the Sunchon Phosphate Fertilizer Factory in May 2020





Kim Jong Un looking round the Sunchon Phosphate Fertilizer Factory in May 2020









Sunchon Phosphate Fertilizer Factory



Kim Jong Un breaking ground for the construction of the Pyongyang General Hospital in March 2020





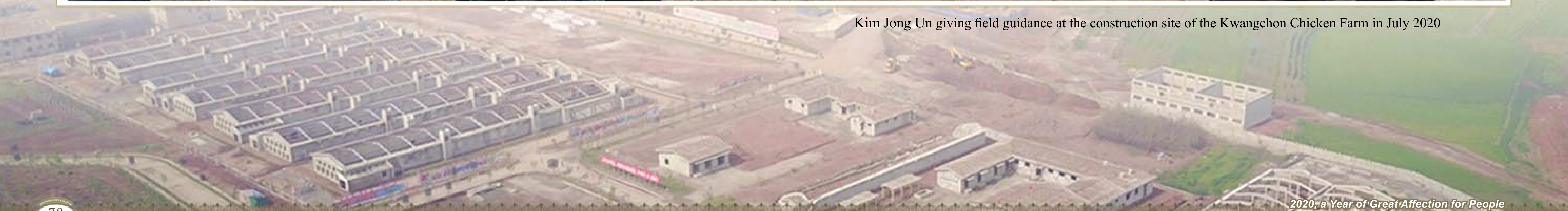
Kim Jong Un pressing the button of the blasting device at the groundbreaking ceremony of the Pyongyang General Hospital in March 2020



Kim Jong Un inspecting the construction site of the Pyongyang General Hospital in July 2020



Kim Jong Un giving field guidance at the construction site of the Kwangchon Chicken Farm in July 2020



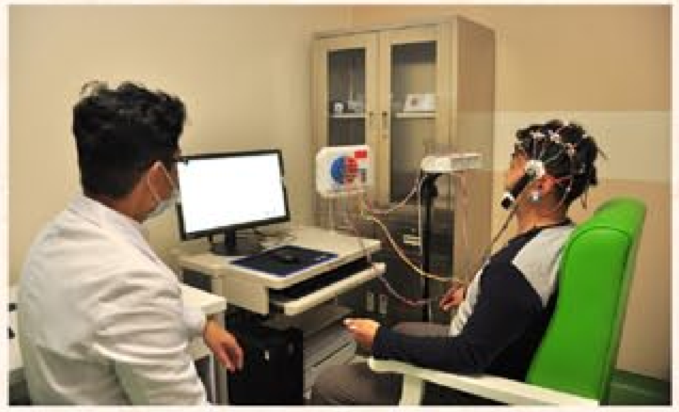


Samjiyon City People's Hospital opened in October













Myohyangsan Medical Appliances Factory
inaugurated in October









Kosan Fruit Processing Factory inaugurated in October





Pyongyang Essential Oil Factory inaugurated in October





Pyongyang Municipal Youth Park Open-Air Theatre remodelled and opened in January



Educational Books Printing Plant reconstructed and opened in October



Taekwon-Do Training Hall in North Hwanghae Province built in November







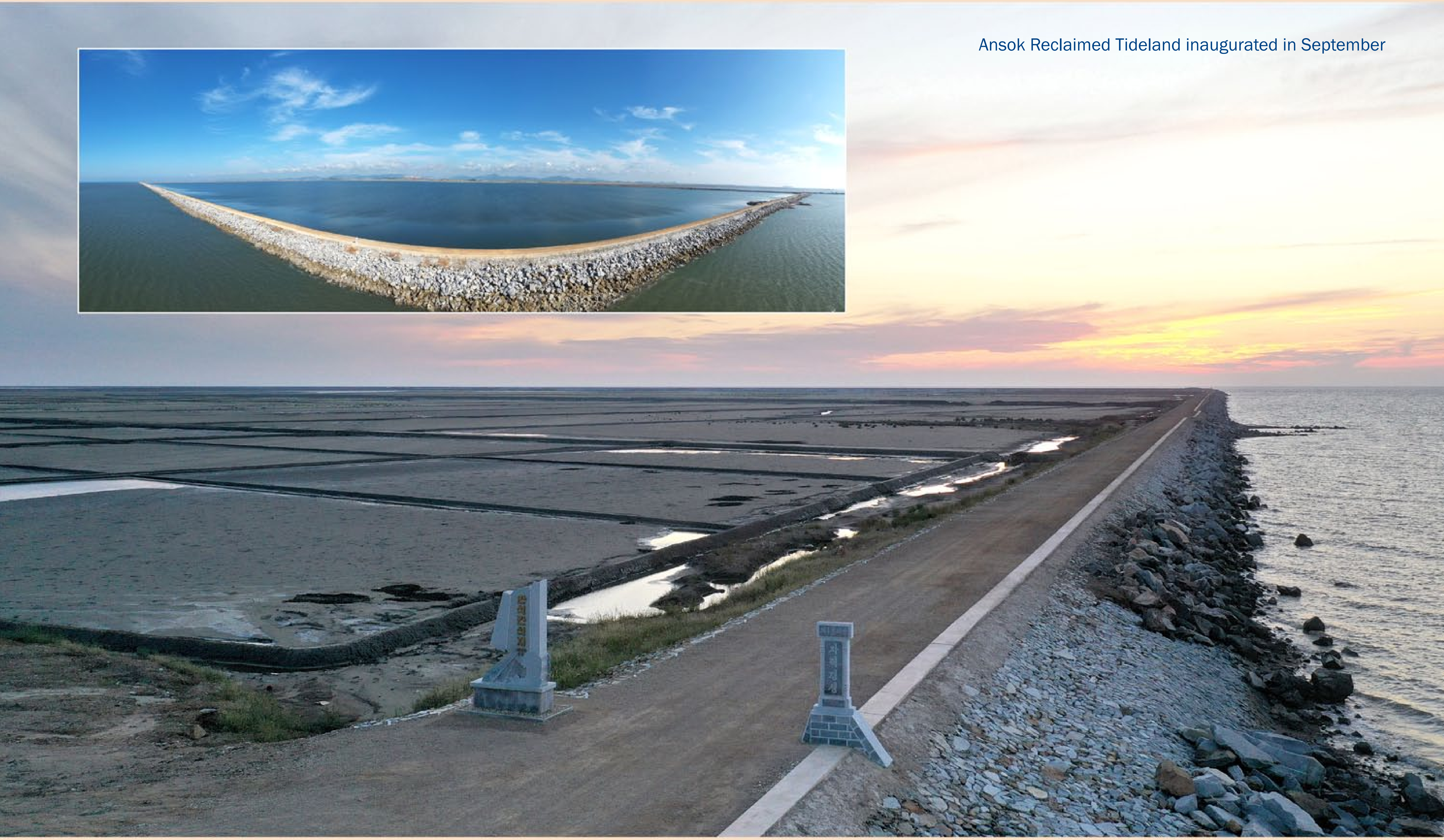


Workers' hostel of the Sinuiju Textile Mill opened in November

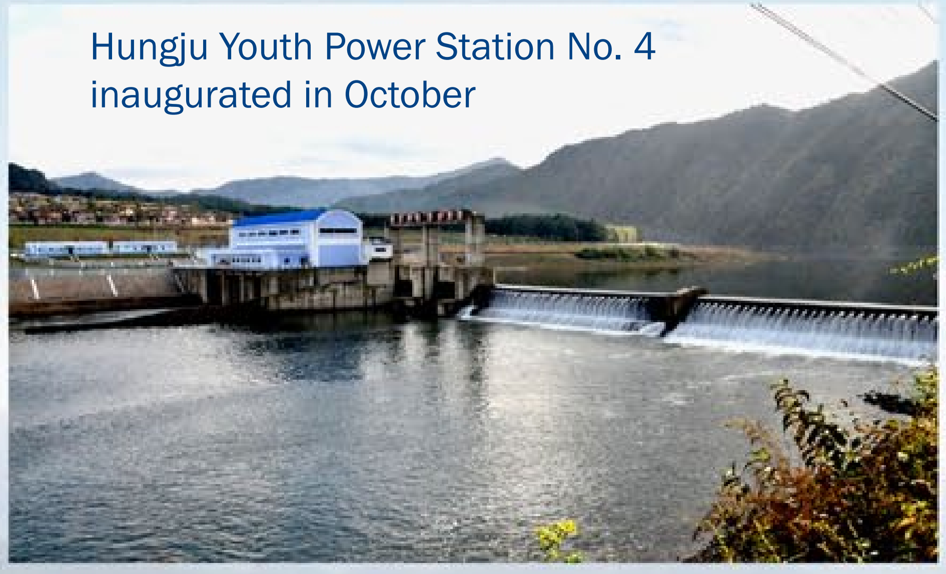




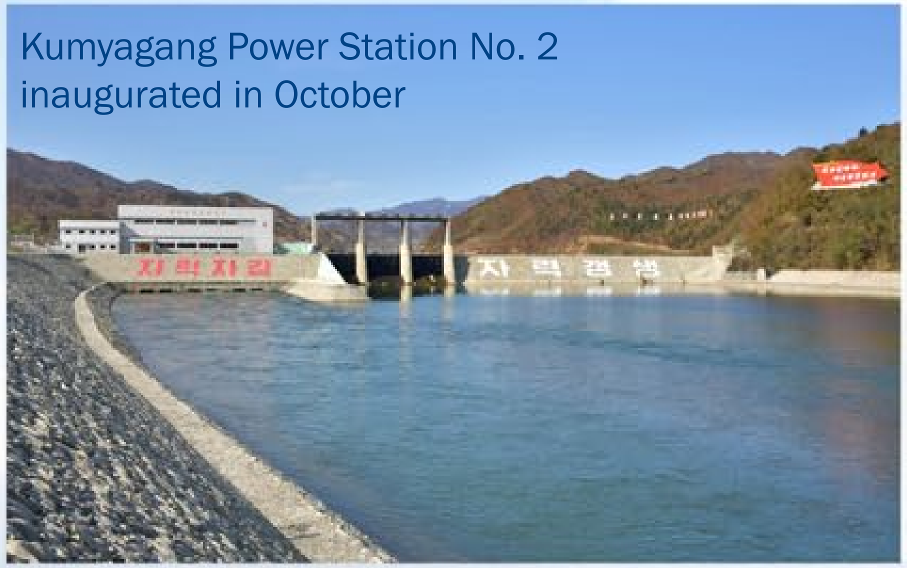
Tree nurseries were built in North and South Phyongan and North Hwanghae provinces.



Ansok Reclaimed Tideland inaugurated in September



Hungju Youth Power Station No. 4
inaugurated in October



Kumyagang Power Station No. 2
inaugurated in October



Ichon Army-People Power Station
inaugurated in October



Amid the Korean people's deepening support for and trust in the Workers' Party of Korea, grand celebrations took place in the capital city of Pyongyang to mark the 75th anniversary of the Workers' Party of Korea in the presence of Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un.

The military parade in celebration of the 75th anniversary of the WPK began at Kim Il Sung Square in Pyongyang at 00:00 of October 10, 2020, demonstrating the great military strength of the DPRK. In his speech delivered at the military parade, the Supreme Leader extended warm thanks and congratulations to all the people across the country and service personnel of the Korean People's Army who had glorified the October holiday with great honour and pride by having achieved valuable successes and victory through an all-out effort, overcoming countless ordeals.

A public procession, torchlight procession of the young vanguard, fireworks display, celebration performance and other colourful events took place.



The military parade in celebration of the 75th anniversary of the WPK took place at Kim Il Sung Square in Pyongyang.





















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The public procession took place at Kim Il Sung Square in Pyongyang to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the WPK.


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The torchlight procession of the young vanguard took place to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the WPK at Kim Il Sung Square in Pyongyang.



The fireworks display in celebration of the 75th anniversary of the WPK took place at Kim Il Sung Square in Pyongyang.

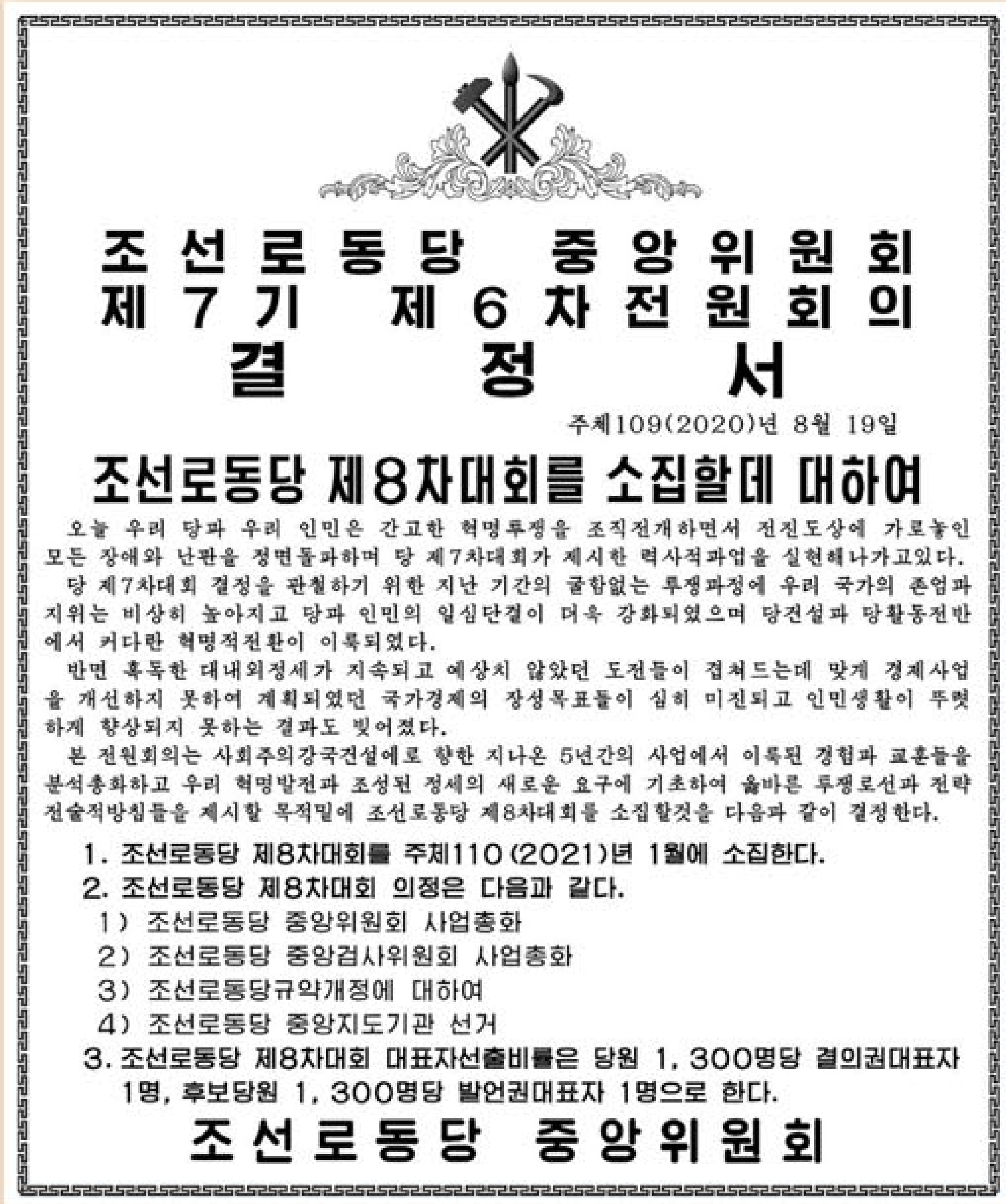
Kim Jong Un waving back to the cheering performers of the grand gala and the audience in October 2020





The grand mass gymnastics and artistic performance *Great Guidance* took place at the May Day Stadium in celebration of the 75th anniversary of the WPK.





조선로동당 중앙위원회
제7기 제6차전원회의
결정서

주체109(2020)년 8월 19일

조선로동당 제8차대회를 소집할데 대하여

오늘 우리 당과 우리 인민은 간고한 혁명투쟁을 조직전개하면서 전진도상에 가로놓인 모든 장애와 난관을 정면돌파하며 당 제7차대회가 제시한 력사적과업을 실현해나가고있다.

당 제7차대회 결정을 관철하기 위한 지난 기간의 굴함없는 투쟁과정에 우리 국가의 존엄과 지위는 비상히 높아지고 당과 인민의 일심단결이 더욱 강화되였으며 당건설과 당활동전반에서 커다란 혁명적전환이 이룩되였다.

반면 혹독한 대내외정세가 지속되고 예상치 않았던 도전들이 겹쳐드는데 맞게 경제사업을 개선하지 못하여 계획되였던 국가경제의 장성목표들이 심히 미진되고 인민생활이 뚜렷하게 향상되지 못하는 결과도 빚어졌다.

본 전원회의는 사회주의강국건설에로 향한 지나온 5년간의 사업에서 이룩된 경험과 교훈들을 분석총화하고 우리 혁명발전과 조성된 정세의 새로운 요구에 기초하여 올바른 투쟁로선과 전략전술적방침들을 제시할 목적밑에 조선로동당 제8차대회를 소집할것을 다음과 같이 결정한다.

1. 조선로동당 제8차대회를 주체110(2021)년 1월에 소집한다.
2. 조선로동당 제8차대회 의정은 다음과 같다.
 1) 조선로동당 중앙위원회 사업총화
 2) 조선로동당 중앙검사위원회 사업총화
 3) 조선로동당규약개정에 대하여
 4) 조선로동당 중앙지도기관 선거
3. 조선로동당 제8차대회 대표자선출비률은 당원 1,300명당 결의권대표자 1명, 후보당원 1,300명당 발언권대표자 1명으로 한다.

조선로동당 중앙위원회

Decision of the Sixth Plenary Meeting of the Seventh WPK Central Committee on convening the Eighth Congress of the WPK

The Workers' Party of Korea, which continuously strives for the people's happiness and makes continuous offensive, continuous advance to attain its goal of providing the people with the highest quality of civilization at an earliest possible date, adopted a decision on convening the Eighth Party Congress at the Sixth Plenary Meeting of the Seventh Party Central Committee held on August 19, 2020.

And the WPK decided at the 19th meeting of the Political Bureau of its Seventh Central Committee held on October 5, 2020 to wage a 80-day campaign involving the entire Party and the whole country until the end of the year in order to greet the Eighth Congress of the Party to be held in January 2021 with great political enthusiasm and labour feats.

Accordingly, the entire Party and the whole country turned out in the general offensive with the spirit of making selfless, devoted efforts for the people.







Kim Jong Un presiding over the 19th meeting of the Political Bureau of the Seventh Central Committee of the WPK in October 2020



The Pyongyang municipal army-people joint rally was held at Kim Il Sung Square on October 12, 2020, to turn out in the 80-day campaign in hearty response to the Party's call to greet the Eighth Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea with proud victory.


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During the 80-day campaign efforts were directed to the epidemic prevention work to reliably safeguard the people's lives and security and the rehabilitation projects to stabilize the people's living.









80-day campaign for adding glory to the Eighth Congress of the WPK was dynamically conducted in several sectors of the national economy.






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